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From: Donald Hoffheins
Sent: Sun 8/9/2015 5:28:45 PM
Subject: Re: UTAH EMAIL LIST: Communication regarding San Juan River mine water pulse

Good morning all, yesterday I offered a water trailer beginning Monday if needed for the communities along the San Juan river. This morning I received a call from commissioner Benally accepting that. She says that the town of Hachita is having water line issues so they are actually limited on water anyway, so they will need assistance as soon as we can get it to them. I'm driving to the state line and Montezuma creek now because we have unconfirmed reports that the spill waste has traveled that far. I will check in later.

Sent from Don Hoffheins' iPhone

[Personal Phone/Ex. 6]

On Aug 9, 2015, at 11:13 AM, Macauley <ymacauley@utah.gov> wrote:

Some updates from Mexican Hat in Utah -

Just finished talking to Danny Fleming, the water master of Mexican Hat water system. He saw the Fox News 13 reporting about Aneth and Montezuma Ck shutting down their DW systems. Danny is wondering about the status the Halchita water system on Navajo Nation land directly across the river from Mexican Hat. Halchita has a surface water intake directly from the San Juan River. Danny anticipates to provide water hauling assistance to Halchita residents if requested. (Is EPA working with Halchita water system? Does anyone know what Halchita will do or is doing with its DW intake from the river?)

Danny thinks Mexican Hat's wells may be okay since they have several hundred feet of ground filtration between San Juan river and the wells, plus the well water goes through a membrane treatment plant before entering the distribution system.

Danny has been talking to Doug Wong of DWQ on coordinating the sampling. Danny has his own Hach kit and can do some monitoring. Danny plans to monitor the metals of the wells. I recommended that, in addition to monitoring metals, Danny also continue to monitor and compare the pH and conductivity of the wells and the nearby river water, especially comparing to the historical well data.

P.S. It may be a good idea to add Danny Fleming [Personal Email/Ex. 6] to the Utah email list.

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On Aug 7, 2015, at 2:00 PM, Erica Gaddis <egaddis@utah.gov> wrote:

This email is just to establish the list of people that should be included in any further communication about the San Juan River mine water pulse. The list includes representatives from the Division of Water Quality, Division of Drinking Water, DEQ's District Engineer, Utah Department of Health, San Juan County Health Department, and BLM. If there are additional contacts that need to be included, please add them and resend this email.

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